



Welcome to the Clark County Community Development e-News. We send this publication out once a month to announce the latest in what's happening. We will attempt to cover a broad range of topics that we hope will be of interest to you. We need your input! We welcome your comments about our news bulletin; and if you have topics you would like us to cover and we haven't, we'll do our best to accommodate you! ☼

## Meeting the goals of our performance audit

Between 2000 and 2003, Community Development has been implementing recommendations made in a performance audit conducted by the Clark County Auditor's Office. Recently, the auditors reviewed progress on these recommendations with the Board of Clark County Commissioners and praised the department's diligence in continuing to make improvements. [Click here](#) to read the entire article. ☼

## New data library

Everything you need to know about county community development trends is a keystroke away. Well, maybe two key strokes.

The Clark County Community Development Department has a full array of community development data available on our website. It is up to date, convenient, and ready for access whenever and wherever you are. Check it out at [www.clark.wa.gov/comdev/admin/datalibrary/datalibrary.asp](http://www.clark.wa.gov/comdev/admin/datalibrary/datalibrary.asp) ☼

## Fax on Demand

The Clark County Department of Community Development has an automated system that allows you to call and request a copy of your current status via fax. It is easy and fast and provides all the basic information on your project. Refer to this hand-out for instructions: [www.clark.wa.gov/comdev/building/faxondemand.pdf](http://www.clark.wa.gov/comdev/building/faxondemand.pdf) ☼

## Dog bite prevention

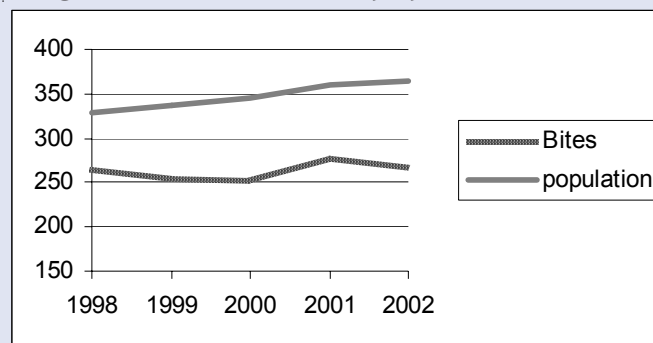
With Summer approaching, now is the time for Clark County Animal Protection and Control to educate the citizens of the county in dog bite prevention.

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**Dog bites in relation to population**



In 2002 Animal Protection & Control Officers have provided dog bite prevention training to 546 children. Dog bites injure more than 4.7 million people each year, with children the most common victim.

Most dog bite injuries can be prevented through public education and responsible dog ownership.

Clark County Animal Protection and Control provides dog bite prevention training for schools, service groups, public agencies and other interested parties. Each year animal control officers respond to approximately 260 reports of animal bites and 1100 reports of vicious behavior by dogs.



The Bite Prevention Program is geared to reducing the number of actual dog bites through training on methods of avoiding bites and attacks by animals. The training is available to individuals and organizations of all ages. The program consists of a presentation by one or two Animal Control Officers who will discuss how not to put yourself at risk of being bitten and how to reduce the chances of being attacked if you find yourself in a high-risk situation.

If you are interested in scheduling a presentation contact: Mary Liddle (360) 397-2096.



### Quick Clicks

- Comprehensive Plan Update
- Focused Public Investment Plan
- Team Focus
- Department Calendar

### Divisions

- Animal Protection and Control
- Building Division
- Code Enforcement
- Permit Center
- Development Services
- Engineering Services
- Fire Marshal's Office
- Long Range Planning

## ComDev in the News

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- “Major infusion of capital on its way to Clark County.” The Columbian (5-18-03).  
<http://www.columbian.com/05182003/business/38421.html>

## What’s On TV Tonight?

There is a lot on CVTV (channel 23) about Community Development. For example, you can watch the animal control, land use, and code enforcement hearings, as well as the county Planning Commission. To see the complete schedule click here: [www.cvttv.org](http://www.cvttv.org) ☞

## Expanding our audience

Do you know others who would benefit from this information? Any list serves that would be appropriate for us to post this on? On the other hand, if you would like to be taken off our e-mailing list, just let us know. Contact Désirée at [desiree.demonye@clark.wa.gov](mailto:desiree.demonye@clark.wa.gov) ☞